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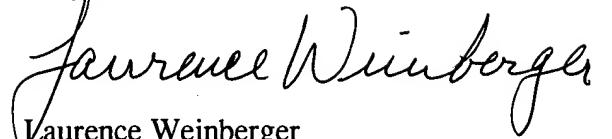
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Dear Sir:

Request for In-Person Examiner Interview

Applicants would very much appreciate the opportunity to interview with the Examiner to thoroughly discuss the apparent differences in interpretation of the specification language that has arisen. Hopefully, a full and frank discussion will lead to a speedy conclusion of the prosecution. Applicants request that the interview be held before the Examiner takes any further action on this application.

Respectfully submitted,



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Transmitted for filing in the above identified application are the following documents:

1. a Response to Office Action dated November 21, 2003;
2. a Petition for Extension of Time for 3 Months with attached check in the amount of \$475.00;
3. a Request for Examiner Interview;
4. a return postcard; and
5. an Express Mail certification.

Please address all correspondence regarding this patent application to me at the address set out below.

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